MINNESOTA HEALTH REFORM DEMONSTRATION Prepaid Medical Assistance Program Plus (PMAP+)

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SUMMARY

The Minnesota Prepaid Medical Assistance Project Plus (PMAP+) amended the original Minnesota Medicaid Demonstration by expanding the project in both size and scope. The PMAP demonstration enrolled all Aid to Families with Dependent Children eligibles, needy children, and pregnant women in eight Minnesota counties into prepaid managed-care organizations. PMAP+ originally expanded prepaid managed care to nine additional counties and is expected to eventually be a statewide program. In addition, Medicaid eligibility was expanded on a statewide basis to include children and pregnant women up to 275 percent of the Federal poverty level who were previously covered under the State's MinnesotaCare program. Subsequent changes included expanding eligibility to include parents and caretaker relatives of children enrolled in the demonstration. The approval of Phase 2 in August 2000 allowed several changes which involved increasing flexibility for the State, particularly related to capitation payment. In July 2001, an amendment was approved to allow implementation of county-based purchasing by the South Country Health Alliance encompassing nine rural Minnesota counties.

STATUS: Currently, there are approximately 305,000 enrollees in PMAP+ managed care organizations. In addition, the State's eligibility expansion has made approximately 108,000 MinnesotaCare children, caretaker adults and pregnant women Medicaid-eligible. Some parents and caretaker adults are now covered under the State's Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP) and receive their care through the MinnesotaCare delivery system. Minnesota now operates Medicaid managed care in 69 of its 87 counties. On December 20, 2001 Minnesota was granted an extension of its demonstration from June 30, 2002 to June 30, 2005.

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